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SUBJ: SPANISH REQUEST FOR IAEA SAFEGUARDS ON SOVIET-SUPPLIED ENRICHED URANIUM

- 1. MISSION HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT AGENCY HAS RECEIVED LETTER FROM SPANISH JEN NOTING THAT SPANISH FIRM ENUSA HAS SIGNED CONTRACT WITH SOVIET FIRM TECHSNABEXPORT TO PROVIDE URANIUM ENRICHMENT SERVICES FOR TOTAL OF APPROXIMATELY 5,100,000 KG SEPARATIVE WORK UNITS, FINAL PRODUCT OF WHICH WOULD BE LESS THAT 5 PERCENT ENRICHED U-235. DELIVERY OF ENRICHED MATERIAL SCHEDULED DURING 1978-1990 INCLUSIVE.
- 2. LETTER FURTHER NOTES THAT GOVERNMENTS OF SPAIN AND USSR HAVE AGREED THAT IAEA SAFEGUARDS SHOULD BE APPLIED TO THIS MATERIAL, AND REQUESTS IAEA PROVIDE DRAFT UNILATERAL SUBMISSION-TYPE SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT UNDER WHICH MATERIAL WOULD BE SUBJECT TO IAEA SAFEGUARDS WHILE LOCATED IN AND DURING ITS USE IN SPAIN.
- 3. COMMENT: MISSION HAD PREVIOUSLY RAISED WITH SOVIET MISSION QUESTION OF IAEA SAFEGUARDS ON MATERIAL UNDER THIS TRANSACTION AND WERE ASSURED THAT CONTRACT CALLED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FOR IAEA SAFEGUARDS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SOVIET NPT

OBLIGATION. GOS ACTION CONFIRMS THIS IS CASE. SOVIET AMB. ARKADIEV ALSO TOLD MISOFF AND UK RESREP JULY 8 THAT USSR ENRICHMENT CONTRACTS CONTAIN NPT-TYPE PROHIBITIONS AGAINST USE OF MATERIAL FOR NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND OTHER NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE DEVICES. HE MENTIONED THAT USSR WAS NOT RPT NOT IN HURRY TO DELIVER MATERIAL UNDER CONTRACTS, MENTIONING SPECIFICALLY THAT NO DELIVERIES CONTEMPLATED IN CASE OF SPAIN BEFORE 1976 AND FOR ITALY, BEFORE END 1975. PORTER

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